



**DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE**  
**OFFICE OF WORSHIP AND LITURGY**  
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**TO: Confirmation Coordinators**

**FROM: Rev. Alexander Albert, Director**

**DATE: July 1, 2025**

**RE: 2026 Confirmation Scheduling**

In an effort to ensure Bishop Deshotel's availability to celebrate 2026 Confirmations, we are asking that you provide us with necessary information to assist in scheduling. Respective of the needs of your parish, please complete and return the attached form to the Office of Worship and Liturgy by August 29, 2025.

As Bishop's calendar fills up quickly, and keeping in mind that Bishop celebrates confirmation in a parish every other year, we want to be sensitive to those parishes where Bishop did not celebrate Confirmation this past year. In order to assign these particular parishes a Confirmation date with the Bishop, it will be necessary for you to indicate on the attached form, your three (3) preferred dates. Once determined, you will be advised of the scheduled date.

For those parishes where Bishop presided this past year, it will be necessary for you to make arrangements with one of the Deans, or with the Judicial Vicar, Vicar for Clergy, or the Vicar General, for your 2026 Confirmation.

Bishop Deshotel asks that whether or not he is the celebrant, parishes with a small number of candidates join with a neighboring parish, ultimately with at least 15-20 candidates for each ceremony. While there may be extenuating circumstances, it is asked that everyone make a good faith effort toward achieving this goal.

Each Vicar and Dean will receive a complete listing of scheduled confirmations.

If your parish is not scheduling Confirmation in 2026, please indicate same on the attached form.

In the meantime, if you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 337-261-5505.

Thank you.

CC: Pastors, Administrators, Parish Life Coordinators

# Diocese of Lafayette

## 2026 Confirmation Scheduling Information Form

Completed forms should be submitted to Office of Worship and Liturgy  
by **August 29, 2025** via email ( [swickenheiser@diolaf.org](mailto:swickenheiser@diolaf.org) ); fax 337-261- 5651 or mail to:  
**Office of Worship 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette LA 70501.**

If you have any questions, please call 337-261-5609.

Name of Church/City \_\_\_\_\_

If another church is celebrating with the above, please list name of that church (or churches) \_\_\_\_\_

List church parish where the Mass will be held \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Each parish must complete only one of the boxes below:**

**\* PARISHES REQUESTING BISHOP DESHOTEL - (PLEASE LIST 3 DATES)**

1st Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / **2026** \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Date Year Time

2nd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / **2026** \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Date Year Time

3rd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / **2026** \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Date Year Time

**\* PARISHES REQUESTING A DEAN, THE JUDICIAL VICAR, VICAR FOR CLERGY OR THE VICAR GENERAL**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

CELEBRANT: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* NO CONFIRMATION IN 2026**

Please briefly explain why you are not celebrating Confirmation in 2026: \_\_\_\_\_

When was the last time Confirmation was celebrated in your parish? \_\_\_\_\_

PASTOR'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_